

Agricultural Day at Fair Grounds; Big Attendance Principally Rural Splendid Parade of the Live Stock

FINE ANIMALS SHOWN OFF TO ADMIRING THOUSANDS --- WEATH'R NOT SO GOOD FOR THIRD DAY OF BIG DISTRICT EXPOSITIN

Thursday is Agricultural Day at the Ten-County Fair grounds. Planters and their wives and children comprised the great bulk of the attendance. The crowd inside the fence in the forenoon was estimated to be only about 5,000. The afternoon, however, usually "brings them out." The day's attendance is expected to be 8,000 or 10,000, some smaller than Tuesday's and considerably smaller than Wednesday's, when nearly every school child in Lenoir and hundreds from other counties passed through the gates.

The weather turned traitor. It did not do so badly, and the rain during the morning was hardly noticeable, but the clouds were ever so angry looking off and on, and Secretary Canady of the Fair Association estimates that at least three or four thousand persons in the country remained at home because of the weather man's threats.

STOCK PARADE.

The stock parade which was a feature of Agricultural Day, was pulled off at a little after 11 o'clock. It was probably no longer than last year's, because much of the stock was not brought out of the barns. A number of cattle were left inside, as were, of course, the hogs, sheep, etc.

MR. HUGHES STARTS ON FINAL TOUR OF STUMPING COUNTRY

Republican Candidate Will Make 34 Speeches in Next Eight Days—Physically in Good Trim and Enthusiastic

(By the United Press)

New York, Oct. 26.—Former Justice Hughes began the final drive of his campaign today. It will be a strenuous eight-day session, which will carry him to Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio and Indiana. He will make thirty-four addresses on the tour. The Republican nominee is in vigorous physical shape, and splendid enthusiasm has taken hold of him following the big demonstration at Brooklyn last night.

ENOUGH FOLKS AT HOME TO CONSUME TWO PIGS

The Democratic candidates making the county canvass Thursday went to Sharon schoolhouse, in Contentnea Neck township. They expected a small crowd in view of the Fair, which again attracted many people from the section. A fair audience was had at Airy Grove Wednesday, and nearly two barbecued pigs were consumed. Friday the campaigners will be at Institute.

KITCHIN AND CAMERON WELCOMED EACH OTHER

Claude Kitchin and John E. Cameron, Floor Leader of the National

It was a fine spectacle, though, and thousands lined the racetrack fence to see it. The best band of the Fair headed the procession. First in line behind the music-makers was M. R. Quinerly, a young A and M graduate and scientific farmer from Centerville, with a handsome Percheron stallion. The horses, mules, ponies and cattle following by ones and twos. A magnificent bull headed the bovine section. The darky who led it had a firm twist on the beast's lip with a roped stick. One prince from a dairy farm thought he was going forth to slaughter, and threw a tumble just as the parade got under way, but after that he quieted down, and there was no protest from any animal in the line as the procession passed in review. Represented by fine animals were W. C. Worthington, displaying a fancy mare; E. L. Rouse, Percheron; J. E. Cameron, registered Holstein cows; J. H. Mowborn, registered Jerseys; J. F. Hardee, a fine lot of Guernseys; N. J. Rouse, A. S. Rouse and Parker Howard and others with various animals.

The exhibit halls were extremely popular all day. Thousands thronged them. A sight never to be forgotten was a trio of old women—one wore a sunbonnet—making pink cloth with the spinning wheel and other machinery that they used more than half a century ago.

House of Representatives and Republican leader, respectively, greeted each other at the Fair Grounds here Wednesday. They are two of the Second district's most excellent citizens, and have a fine regard for one another.

"Kitchin has gotten out of the peanut politician class; he is a real statesman now," declared Mr. Cameron Thursday. He thinks the Halifax man one of the biggest men in the country.

NO ONE NEED STAY AWAY FROM SECTION'S BIG SHOW FOR WANT OF THE PRICE OF TICKETS—OFFICIALS MAKE GOOD OFFER

"The success of the second annual exhibition of the Kinston Fair Association is already assured. The management feels very grateful for the favorable weather, and is appreciative of the enthusiastic support given the Fair by our friends in adjoining counties.

"We feel that the exhibits and the program of entertainment are well worth seeing, and this is to announce that if there is a man, woman or child who feels that they are not financially able to attend the Fair, a cordial invitation is extended to them to attend the Fair Friday free of charge. The only pass necessary will be to present yourselves at any of the gates after 1 o'clock Friday afternoon, October 27th, and state that you are accepting the invitation of the management to attend the Fair in accordance with this announcement.

"Very respectfully,
"F. C. DUNN, President.
"J. H. CANADY, Secretary.

PRESIDENT OFF FOR LAST LONG JOURNEY BEFORE ELECTIONS

(By the United Press)

Shadow Lawn, Oct. 25.—President Wilson left at noon for Cincinnati and the Middle West for the last time before election. He is scheduled to deliver four speeches. He is expected to devote considerable time to the hyphen issue.

Returning, the President will not make further trips prior to the election, except to New York State.

TOBACCO SALES NOT LARGE WEDNESDAY

Less than a hundred thousand (thousand pounds of tobacco was sold here Wednesday, estimates early in the afternoon indicated. Although the breaks were comparatively small prices averaged well, warehouses reporting averages of from 20 to 22c.

DRAPER HEIRESS IS WEDDED TO PRINCE

(By the United Press)

Washington, Oct. 25.—Miss Margaret Draper, an American heiress, was wedded to Prince Bompagni of Rome here today. Cardinal Gibbons officiated. The wedding was a brilliant ceremony.

ROBINSON'S MONKEY HAD SHOW OF OWN

Elly Exton, advance man for the John Robinson Circus, writes back to The Free Press an original story of an occurrence under the big tent a week or so ago. "One of the big monkeys that are used in an act got loose and soon had the stage on which he was performing and about all the rest of the arena to himself," he said. "Had they not captured him he would have had the whole show, from appearance. And that monkey was not vicious; he was perfectly harmless. But when he got loose everybody got out of the way. He is about the biggest they have, and he looks imposing, all right. The way the crowd made monkeys of themselves scared the real monkey almost to death."

PAVING OF CITY STREETS MAY BE COMPLETED SOON

At the present rate of progress the paving program on which the city is spending nearly half a million dollars should be completed during December, possibly by the first of that month. Concrete is being laid on the remaining blocks as rapidly as possible. Some 20 blocks remain to be asphalted. The actual asphaltting is about 20 days' work.

During the past year the difficulty in getting materials hindered progress. Now the big trouble the paving men are encountering is labor. Not enough workmen can be had, although \$1.35 and \$1.50 a day are being paid colored laborers.

FAIR PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY

Officially Athletic Day

- At 11, Athletic exercises.
- 12.—Free trapeze act.
- 12:30.—Mule race.
- 1.—Race, 2:17 trot.
- 2.—High dive.
- 2:30.—Race, 2:15 pace.
- 3.—Carrying mail in aeroplane.
- 3:30.—Football game, Kinston and Goldsboro High School.

COTTON SELLS FOR MORE THAN TWENTY CENTS AT NEW YORK

Highest Price Since Sixties. Government Shows Bales Ginned to Be Half Million Short of This Time Last Year

(By the United Press)

New York, Oct. 25.—For the first time since the Civil War cotton passed the 20 cent mark soon after the opening of the exchange. The government report was a bull factor.

Report of Ginners' Operations.

Washington, Oct. 25.—Seven million, two hundred and ninety-one, seven hundred and thirty-three bales of cotton were ginned in the United States from the 1916 crop prior to October 18, says a census bureau report. This was nearly a half million bales less than last year.

DEFECTIVE TEETH OF SCHOOL CHILDREN IS THE FAULT OF PARENTS

(Special to The Free Press)

Washington, Oct. 25.—A recent investigation made by the U. S. Public Health Service in connection with studies of rural school children showed that 49.3 per cent. had defective teeth, 21.1 per cent. had two or more missing teeth, and only 16.9 per cent. had dental attention. Over 14 per cent. never used a tooth brush, 58.2 per cent. used one occasionally and only 27.4 per cent. used it every day.

Defective teeth reduce physical efficiency. Dirty, suppurating, snaggle-toothed mouths are responsible for many cases of heart disease, rheumatism, and other chronic affections. The children are not responsible for the neglected state of their teeth. The ignorant and careless parent is to blame for this condition—a condition which hampers mental and physical growth and puts a permanent handicap on our future citizens. School teachers can and are doing much in inculcating habits of personal cleanliness on the rural school child, but this will fail of the highest accomplishment unless parents co-operate heartily and continuously. This is a duty which they owe their children.

THERE'S LITTLE LIKE IT UNDER THE SUN

"Oh, but it's a beautiful climate," said a Northern man here Wednesday. "What do you think of this for the 25th of October? Can you believe it?" He was informed that during December, January and February, it can get quite cold in this country, and that freezing temperatures are frequent. "But that is the case everywhere on the seaboard, and your cold season is short—nine full months of spring, summer and autumn," said the visitor. "This October weather beats anything I ever saw for sunshine and warmth."

TEUTONS CAPTURE CZERNAVODA, AT HEAD OF GREAT DANUBE BRIDGE, AND VULGAN PASS; FRENCH HOLD TIGHT AT DOUAUM'T

Most Important Victory Yet for Germans, Austrians, Bulgars and Turks in East; of More Moment Than Fall of Constanza—Big Russo-Roumanian Forces Bottled Up In Dobrudja—Great Gain by French in West Cannot Be Overcome by Germans, Violently Encountering During Last Few Hours—Joffre's Men Prepare for Permanent Stay In Big Fort Before Verdun—British Expect Attempt by Enemy to Take Initiative

(By the United Press)

Berlin, Oct. 28.—The Roumanians have retreated 20 miles following the evacuation of Constanza, and are steadily falling back along the Danube. Official dispatches indicate that the Roumanians are forming a semi-circle, the ends resting on the Danube, for a stubborn defense of Cernavoda bridge-head. The whole Black Sea front is being evacuated.

Interest today is divided between Von Mackensen's decisive victory and Falkenhayn's new successes in the invasion of Roumania from the West. The Austro-Germans now are attacking violently and advancing past Predeal towards Sinai.

French Cannot Be Ejected from Fort.

Paris, Oct. 25.—Two violent German counter attacks were delivered last night and this morning against the positions on the Douaumont-Damloup line northeast of Verdun won yesterday by the French in a great assault. Both failed, the French maintaining all the positions, it is officially stated. The French spent the night cleaning up Fort Douaumont, captured from the Germans yesterday. Among the 3,500 prisoners is the German commander of Fort Douaumont.

Berlin's Admission.

Berlin, Oct. 25.—"On the northeast front at Verdun a French attack as far as burning Fort Douaumont gained ground," it is officially admitted. "The fighting continues," it is said.

Fall of Cernavoda.

Cernavoda, the eastern terminus of the great Danube bridge into Roumania, was captured by Field Marshal Von Mackensen this morning, it is officially said. The victory is regarded as vastly more important than the capture of the seaport Constanza three days ago. Full details have not been received, the war office announced, but it is believed a considerable number of Russian and Roumanian troops were trapped east of the Danube in Dobrudja in a very perilous position. On the Transylvanian front Falkenhayn won another great victory, capturing the famous Vulcan Pass.

Teutons Deliver Reavy Blows.

Petrograd, Oct. 25.—The Roumanians have abandoned Cernavoda, it is officially admitted. Tasavla Lake positions also were surrendered to the enemy, whose heavy attacks continue along the whole Dobrudja front.

British Expect Hard Attacks.

London, Oct. 25.—The Germans are shelling the British front northeast of Couriellette, also along the Posieres-Depeume road, with great violence, as if in preparation of a great counter attack, says General Haig. Heavy rain is impeding the operations.

Brilliant Drive of Great Benefit.

Paris, Oct. 25.—German reinforcements are being rushed up to the Verdun front from the Somme to meet the French offensive, say advices from the front. In response to the Crown Prince's appeal for help, German units from the Somme arrived before Verdun yesterday, while the French were smashing northward, but too late to take part in the fighting. General Neville's lightning stroke northwest of Verdun yesterday accomplished a two-fold purpose. It definitely removed the German menace to Verdun and halted the massing of a huge German army on the Bapaume-Peronne line for a great counter attack on the Somme.

BICKETT WOULD MAKE TENANTS LANDLORDS

Durham, Oct. 25.—Stopping long enough in a two and a half hour discussion of national issues to assert that he intended to devote the larger part of his energies during his four years' Governorship to seeing that the tenants in the State became landlords. Attorney General Bickett addressed nearly a thousand cheering voters at the Academy of Music tonight. It was the biggest crowd that has attended a political meeting in the county and perhaps the most enthusiastic.

PATTERSON GOES OVER TO DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Asheville, Oct. 25.—Consternation struck the local Republican camp yesterday when it was announced that J. M. Patterson, former county chairman of the Progressive party, had resigned, as judge of elections for West Asheville, and had announced that he would support Zebulon Weaver, the Democratic nominee for Congress. Mr. Patterson is a wheel horse in the ranks of the Republicans, and has a large following.